

happily
them to myself as to see them & they seem
to smile back to me. I have ^{never met} ~~never~~ ^{never} ~~never~~
them & it to refer to the blessed Manual to
make some of their names. I was delighted
to find Gulian's herabrits - an abundant
weed in flower beds on the edge - I shall
cultivate. I was delighted to detect in the
Manual, an approach to an error. It describes
the very plants as "moulded" - moulded they may
be in some sense, - but behold!

Yours ever affectionately
W. W. Whitman,

Ada Gray.

The Grant ^{Clinton} House,
Catskill, Nov 27,
1854.
My dear Gray:

I congratulate
you since, not you, on the
completion of Part 2 of the Flora.
As for you, - if you suppose
you are now about to repose
in your laurels, you greatly
misunderstand yourself.
Work is your element.
You must go on, while
life lasts, achieving.
How I long to see Mr

Gray, once more! How the
fallacious prospect of rest
for you must delight her,
and how she will enjoy
your ministerial duty
to her during your brief
abstinence from labor.
God bless you both.

Would that I had
the 2d. part here, where
with my good wife I
was taking needed but
whorring rest. In two

in three weeks we shall return ^{to} the Empire State,
where we have lived for almost three
years past. I am surprised in reading the
in collection of papers belonging to the State,
of my great uncle Henry, of Newbury
Massachusetts. Went to see of take in in
reading through the files of records of
members of exchanging greetings with
my old friends, their descendants. I am